



Alabama Recycling Fund Grants Program

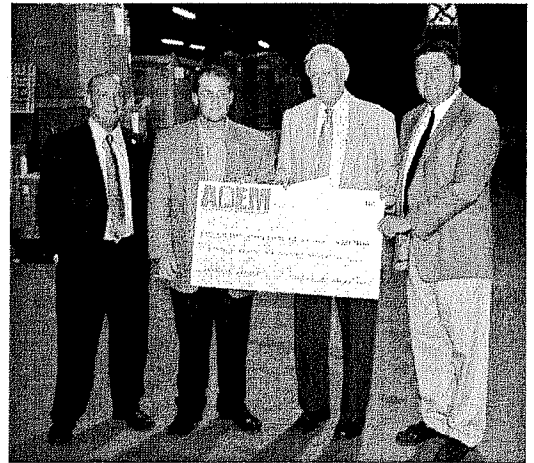


Program Overview

In 2008, Governor Riley signed into law the Solid Wastes & Recyclable Materials Management Act (SWRMMA). The SWRMMA placed a \$1 per ton fee on the disposal of solid wastes in Alabama landfills. A portion of the funds generated by this fee have provided funding for the Alabama Recycling Fund. During the initial year of the Alabama Recycling Fund Grants program, 37 applications were submitted, with requested grant funding totaling nearly \$7,000,000. To date, ADEM has awarded eight grants totaling over \$1.1 million.

ALBERTVILLE/BOAZ—\$259,740

The Cities of Albertville and Boaz will establish a Recycling Program through the efforts of a recently created Recycling Authority between the two cities, to be known as the Albertville-Boaz Recycling Authority. The City of Albertville will host the recycling facility with both partners implementing drop-off sites throughout each city. The new drop-off locations will accept paper, plastics, and aluminum cans and the recycling facility will be open for the additional drop-off of scrap steel and cardboard. In addition to the planned drop-off location, each city will implement cardboard collection and transport from local businesses to the Recycling Facility. The Authority expects to see good participation with the start of the new program with 622 tons of recyclable material collected in the first year, and 10% reduction of generated wastes.

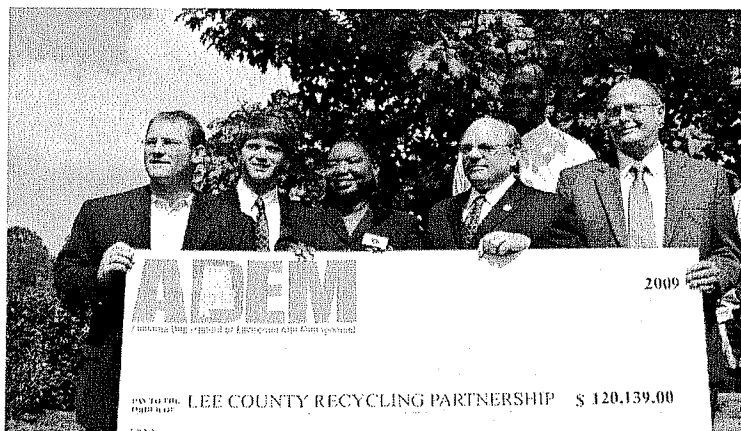


ECLECTIC—\$31,400

The Eclectic Recycling Project will encompass the Town of Eclectic and surrounding community. The recycling facility will be located behind the Eclectic Volunteer Fire Department. Materials accepted will include #1 plastic, cardboard, newspapers, magazines, cans (aluminum and steel) glass bottles, batteries and ink cartridges. The materials collected will be sorted and baled at the facility and sold to Wesson Waste Management.

LEE COUNTY—\$120,139

The partnership will focus on increasing participation and collecting higher volumes. Lee County will achieve this goal by adding two additional drop-off sites for households and businesses and six new school drop-off sites. The City of Auburn will use grant funds to purchase curbside bins and recycling carts in order to aid public education, residential and business curbside recycling, and special events recycling. The City of Opelika desires to establish a new drop-off site, improve the drop-off center collection, establish collection agreements for paper and cardboard with area businesses, and conduct promotions and marketing campaigns to increase drop-off recycling through education and outreach programs. Auburn University recently lost its single stream market for recycled materials and will purchase the extra containers, labels, and signs that are needed in order to switch to a sorted stream collection method.

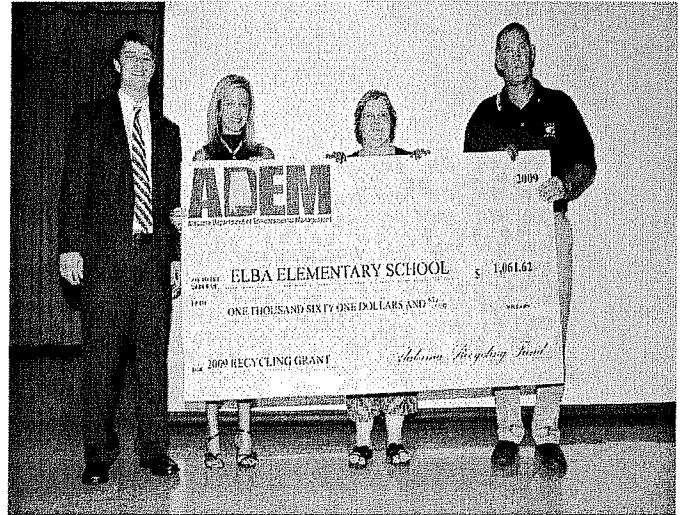


ELBA—\$1,061.62

The grant for Elba Elementary School will be utilized to place bins throughout the school to collect paper and plastic that will be picked up by the City of Elba weekly. During non-school days, the bins may be used at special events put on by the City of Elba. In addition, grant money will be used to purchase tote bags that the students may checkout to take home and bring back plastic and paper to the school to be recycled.

TUSCALOOSA/NORTHPORT —\$279,150 /TUSCALOOSA COUNTY

The Tuscaloosa partnership will establish a recycling center in the City of Tuscaloosa in order to provide greater control of the area's recycling services. Also, recent market fluctuations have caused some recycle processors to stop paying for recyclables and have threatened to close their operations. The procurement of a recycling center will allow for greater accumulation of materials to enable better market pricing, and allow the partnership's recycling program to be driven by waste diversion rates, not just financial benefits. In addition to the recycling center, the partnership will purchase two recycling trailers to expand recycling opportunities to residents and businesses outside the city limits of Northport and Tuscaloosa. Another component of the proposed recycling project is a targeted education and outreach program in which the Tuscaloosa Environmental Services Department will hold staff member visits to Tuscaloosa City and County schools upon request to educate students on recycling and anti-litter campaigns.



FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE COUNTY—\$196,562

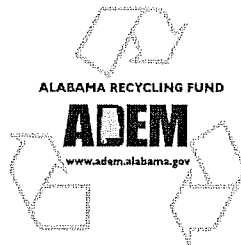
The City of Florence will focus on increasing participation and collecting higher volumes of recyclable materials. The city will achieve this goal by establishing recycling drop-off locations throughout Lauderdale County. Each location will be supplied with a trailer, wheeled carts and two sizes of bins for use in the collection of recyclables. The collected materials will be transported to the Florence Recycling Center for sorting and processing. The City of Florence will expand its used cooking oil collection program by adding six additional drop-off locations in Lauderdale County. In order to effectively achieve the goals proposed, the City of Florence will use a marketing campaign with local newspapers, television and other media to promote recycling county-wide and make the community aware of the materials accepted and the location of drop-off sites. The City will also provide personnel to implement an education and outreach program to provide information to the community to achieve optimum participation in the recycling program.

VERNON—\$50,000

The City of Vernon will use grant funds to procure an additional recycling truck in order to haul woodchips along with other recycled materials such as plastic, aluminum, cardboard, yard waste, and white goods.

DOTHAN—\$223,500

The City of Dothan will implement a plan that will provide curbside collection for residential households, government and other institutional sources and the construction and use of a regional material recovery facility (MRF). The City of Dothan partnered with "Keep the Wiregrass Beautiful" (KTWB) Houston County, Town of Webb, City of Ozark, and the Ft. Rucker military installation to expand and enhance the existing City of Dothan recycling program and to provide and create recycling centers or locations throughout the membership municipalities of the KTWB. The number of households to be served within this cooperative region exceeds 43,000 and more will be included as other communities in the region join the KTWB organization. Also joining in the effort will be the Wiregrass Rehabilitation Center (WRC), a local non-profit service organization that will provide manual labor resources for sorting and transportation processing. Certain administrative services may be provided by WRC as well. The City of Dothan will use grant funds for the purchase of one transport truck and twelve 40-yard compartmentalized containers adorned with instructional information in the form of exterior signage that is intended to maximize use and minimize contamination.



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